

March 2, 1957

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Dear Kenneth:

Your 28th just arrived.

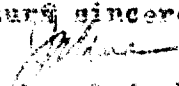
If you would relish a day in New York, I would be very happy to see you on my way through. I have a good deal of old business and conviviality to bring up to date, but an hour's talk between us should be very constructive. I would think that Tuesday afternoon, April 2, would be most convenient and I will leave word with Ed Tatum or his secretary on my whereabouts. You'd best call him Monday afternoon to verify my safe arrival. The next person to ask is Norton Zinder, also at Rockefeller, who wants to meet us at the airport. If I can manage it, I'll call you myself on Monday, but I'm likely to be both too tired and too preoccupied to remember.

I did look up the airline schedules for direct London-Boston connections, but there were none suitable to the occasion.

Is Davis' appointment still unofficial? I'd heard the news from several sources already. Bernie will be, by the way, at the same Ciba meeting.

I will look for a reply at the London-Ciba address.

Yours sincerely,


Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Genetics

P.S. Dean Bundy and Ernst Mayr also wrote tedious letters, which I won't have time to acknowledge. Will you transmit my respects and regards accordingly?

JL